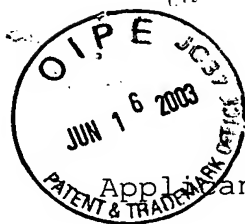


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Sir:

As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR § 1.56 and in keeping with the guidelines of 37 CFR § 1.98, Applicants hereby submit information thought to be relevant to the examination of the above-identified application. Also submitted herewith is a completed form PTO-1449.

This information came to light during the examination of a counterpart application in the European Patent Office in an Office Action dated March 20, 2003. Accordingly, the undersigned hereby

certifies that the information submitted herewith is being submitted within three months from the date of that Office Action.

To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, no First Office Action on the merits has yet been received in the above-identified application.

A copy of the Search Report from the European Patent Office showing relevance of the attached references are also submitted herewith.

Applicants through his undersigned attorney, hereby certify that, unless submitted herewith, no English language translation is presently available to the individuals identified in 37 CFR §1.56(c) for any non-English language.

International Patent Application No. 98/48552 (Smith) apparently relates to a method of managing information displays by compressing the amount of information displayed at any given time. Specifically, the subject invention relates to a graphical user interface in telephony and scrolling lists with automatic compression and expansion. As such, the instant method comprises the steps of storing entries in a memory directory; displaying the directory; activating a scrolling mechanism to scroll the entries of the directory; displaying a selected one of the fields of the entries when the scrolling mechanism is activated; receiving an user input releasing the scrolling mechanism; and displaying other ones of the fields associated with the entries when the scrolling

mechanism is released.

European Patent Application No. 0 949 559 (Rossmann) apparently relates to a method for displaying selectable and non-selectable elements on a small screen. Specifically, the subject invention relates to methods for displaying structured information comprising selectable and non-selectable elements, where in some of the selectable elements have a width greater than the screen display width. The elements that do not fit on the display screen are clipped and can be accessed by scrolling down vertically. Accordingly, structured information which is larger than the display screen is adapted to display the information in a way that makes the information useable to the user.

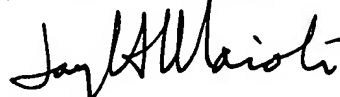
U.S. Patent No. 5,825,353 (Will) apparently relates to a control of miniature personal digital assistant using a menu and thumbwheel. Specifically, the subject invention relates to a method and apparatus for control of a handheld miniature personal digital assistant, based on a user interface with a menu and thumbwheel. The subject device consists of a microprocessor, memory, display, thumbwheel, and button. The display presents a sequence of menu items, with one such item designated as tentatively selected by displaying it in reverse video. Rotating the thumbwheel results in moving the designation of an item in the menu, while pressing the button selects an item. The use of complex menus that display items in two dimensions allows the use

of sophisticated applications, including those that require the entry of alphanumeric data, such as a telephone and address directory and datebook. The subject invention's approach makes such applications feasible in a credit-card sized package without the necessity of a keyboard.

European Patent Application No. 0 917 330 (Deguchi) apparently relates to a portable communication apparatus. The apparatus includes arrow keys for moving a highlight bar to select one of a plurality of information items displayed on screen and an "Enter" key for executing a selected information item. The arrow keys and the "Enter" key are disposed close to each other within one area on the housing.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, if a fee is required for this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fee to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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